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## IS YOUR HAIR TURNING GRAY?

What does your mirror say? Does it tell you of some little streaks of gray? Are you pleased? Do your friends of the same age show this loss of power also? Just remember that gray hair never becomes darker without help, while dark hair rapidly becomes gray when once the change begins.

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NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga county, in the Superior court, Spring term, 1899, Sarah Hockaday vs. Frank Hockaday.

The defendant in the above entitled action, Frank Hockaday, will take notice that the plaintiff, Sarah Hockaday, has commenced an action in the Superior court as entitled above to obtain a divorce from said defendant, and whereas, it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the court that he is a non resident of the State of North Carolina. It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Watauga Democrat for six weeks commencing the said defendant to appear before the Judge of the Superior court on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in August, 1899, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, or the said plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in her complaint. June 15, '99.

JOHN H. BINGHAM, C. S. C. W. R. LOVILL, Atty. for P.M.

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### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

The report of the daily press throughout the country as to the epidemic of yellow fever at the National Soldier's Home, at Hampton, Va., have proven to be grossly exaggerated. Owing to the prompt and energetic measures taken by the authorities the disease appears to be fully under control, and an epidemic character really at no time prevailed. Official reports to Surgeon General Wyman reports no new cases, and if the favorable temperature prevails, the now pending cases are expected to run a favorable course. So far there have been forty-two cases, eleven of them resulting in death. The situation at the Home and immediate vicinity is considered satisfactory. The exaggerated reports cast recklessly abroad are much to be regretted.

It appears probable from developments during the past few days in the War Department that Secretary Root has in contemplation an army of quite forty thousand men for the Philippines. While Mr. Root has been at the head of the department only a brief time, the trend of his efforts has been, it is alleged, wholly in the direction of an increase in the available forces in the East. The belief is growing in army circles that Secretary Root has in mind a plan practically matured to make General Otis' available force at least forty thousand men. The number of enlistments in the new volunteer army have now reached a total of 9,063. Secretary Root has made a favorable impression in official circles here. What especially impressed the officers who welcomed their new chief was the business-like manner in which he went about things. It was noticed, however, that the new Secretary has no present intention of "downing Corbin" as some persons have urged him to do. At the same time it appears that Gen. Miles is to receive every consideration. There can be, however, no change in the department personnel. The heads of the bureaus cannot be disturbed by any Secretary unless by assent of the President and Congress. The incompetent must continue to block progress until old age removes them to the retired list. It is the system that needs revising and Secretary Root understands the situation. "There is only one Alger" was displayed on two immense banners at the reception given to ex-Secretary Alger upon his return to Detroit. This inscription stated the situation in a nutshell. If there had been more in the past eighteen months, it is painful to imagine what would have become of the country. One Alger demoralized the army, several of them would have shaken the foundation of the government and reduced the country to a state of chaos. The people outside of Detroit re-

gard the existence of only one Alger as a merciful dispensation of Providence. This republic has to carry many burdens, heavily burdened as it is, it has still managed to keep above water. With the tribe of official Alger increased, however, its burdens would become greater than it could sustain. There is national rejoicing over the fact, that there is "only one Alger." Now that he has retired to private life, let us hope his species will become extinct as a factor of American government. The reception accorded to General Alger in Detroit was also remarkable for the utterance of Gov. Pingree. The Governor has been acting as a mouthpiece of Gen. Alger and saying that the latter thinks but refrains from uttering. Through Pingree's receptive and agile mouth he can anathematize Mr. McKinley and hold him up in contempt. Alger will find Gov. Pingree a valuable medium for expressing his views of those who have relegated him to the dullness of a provincial existence at Detroit, after allowing him to taste the joys of official power at Washington. Mr. Alger will have an excellent opportunity to get "even" with the administration who made a scapegoat of him. He has not had his money's worth, if he was, as it is asserted, a heavy contributor to the purchase of the Republican election in 1896.

As for the Philippines, there is no doubt that an entirely new deal in the matter of leadership must take place soon. General Otis clearly does not grasp the situation or don't know how to deal with it. He has not men enough under his command and he is responsible for that condition of affairs, for the President has accepted his advice and judgment in the premises. Unfortunately he seems to continue to do so. Gen. Otis should be set aside at once. Mr. McKinley will have to be forced to the step by public pressure. There is plenty of better material in our army to take the place of the incapable Otis.

The recent assassination and disputed succession of Pres. Eoroux of the Dominican Republic are likely to bring new problems at our doors. It is alleged that a powerful American syndicate has practically control of the finances and affairs of that country. Two warships have been ordered to San Domingo to protect American interests. Syndicates have been very well cared for by the present Administration and there is no reason why we should not take in San Domingo, if the seizure of the Philippines can be justified. All the territorial syndicates ought to look alike to Mr. McKinley, and "manifest destiny" ought not to make any discrimination between friends.

The popularity of Mark Twain in England and the lack of attention shown the other Mark (Hanna) in his recent visit abroad is another proof of the superiority of mind over matter.

### Sam's Horn Blasts.

The Holy Spirit is not a friend to idleness.

Sin in deed is generally the result of sin in thought.

Every christian life is a book that some sinner has to read.

How strange that good people should have to tell bad news.

Nothing is real success that is not according to God's plan.

Too many men praise their wives most after they bury them.

If we give the devil our eyes, he will soon have control of our feet.

If you would know what keeps the oak alive, look for its smallest root.

The man who looks with pure eyes can see the face of God in a dew drop.

God makes the most use of those who keep themselves ready for his use.

The man who pleases God may expect to have a good deal of trouble with men.

If God puts us in the fire, it is because he sees dross that he wants to purge out.

Remember the serpent's head has to be bruised, no matter how big and black it may look.

According to the way some folks talk the only people who have been good are dead.

If our faults were all written on our faces the world would be full of hanging heads.

The devil can take a little rest when christians begin to quarrel between themselves.

Every woman who has to live with a drunken husband knows that the devil is still loose.

At this time when there seems to be a disposition on the part of the Republican party to force monometalism on the people, the report of the Director of the Mint Robers. showed that the United States has fallen to the third position among nations of gold-producing power, ogers food for reflection to those who would take that rash step.

Dr. L. W. Crump, of Rowan, gets \$400 a year as county physician to look after County Honie, jail and chain gang.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Notice of the Signature of Charles H. Fletcher

NOTICE.

North Carolina, watauga county, superior court spring term, 1899, Charles H. Hardin and wife, Bella Hardin, vs. Victoria Reece and J. R. Reese. Notice of summons by publication.

The defendant, Victoria Reece, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been begun in the superior court of watauga county N. C., against her and J. R. Reece touching her guardianship of the estate of Bella Lewis [now Hardin] and the said defendant will farther take notice that she is required to appear at the next term of the superior court to be held for said county on the 4th Monday after the first Monday in Aug. 1899 at the court house in Boone, N. C. then and there to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff which will be filed within the first three days of said term, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. May 2, '99.

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### Chicago's Rare Literary Find.

A stout man with a negligee shirt and a white hat on every truth it may be added that the garments enumerated were not the extent of his wardrobe—went into Harry Faulkner's book bookshop in Madison street and asked if the proprietor wanted to buy a curiosity in the way of an old book.

"Certainly," said Mr. Faulkner, "what have you?"

"Well, I've got a treasure—a lily," replied the man, "nipping his neck and grinning at the excellence of his find. 'It is the oldest book I suppose in the world. I never saw anything like it.'

"What is the name of it?"

"I don't know just what the name is. The cover page is entirely torn off. It is not what you would call in good condition; but you ought to see it. Say! it is old—has nothing but f's 's's, and—oh, it's the oldest old thing! And say it's good, at that."

"Well, what is it about?"

"Oh, it's about every old thing. Say, it has animal stories and these things they call essays, and oh, say! there is one story of a man—I forget his name—and he was a regular old— Say! he was worse than the terrible Turk. He caught a lion one time and killed it with his hands; and another time he killed ten thousand people. Joahl mebbly, but it's well told. And there is a story about another man who set down on the ground and a gourd grew up higher than his head in a night. What do you think of that? And of a woman, and she was turned to salt because she looked over her shoulder. Say!

"And there is some good things in it, too. Here is one I wrote down: 'The golden bowl is broken and the silver cord is loosened, and the pitcher is broken at the fountain—I can't read the balance of it. Say! here's another: 'Look not upon the wine when it red, when it showeth its color in the cup, when it—that's rubbed out again. Well, ain't that right? Don't I know? Say, it is a peach. And old— Why I'll bet it's the oldest book in Chicago today. What will you give for it?—The Verdict.

About one month ago my child, who is about fifteen months old, had an attack of diarrhoea accompanied by vomiting. I gave it such remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as nothing gave relief, we sent for a physician and was under his care for a week. At this time the child had been sick for about ten days and was having about twenty-five operations of the bowels every twelve hours, and we were convinced that unless it soon obtained relief it would not live. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and diarrhoea remedy was recommended, and I decided to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better; by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy.—C. L. Boggs Stumptown, W. Va. For sale by druggists.

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### Mr. Rockefeller Dreads Debt.

John D. Rockefeller, the Oil King, whose wealth touches the \$125,000,000 mark, won his first start in a business way by working on a New York farm twelve hours out of the twenty-four for 25 cts. a day. He has earned his position as a multimillionaire by adhering to the principles of the following maxims:

1. It should be every man's duty to get all the money he can, keep all he can, and give away all he can.

2. Buy only what he can be paid for, and look upon debt as an ogre that first paralyzes and then kills.

3. Live within your means and don't think too much of your neighbor's good fortune.

4. Keep a record of all expenditures and receipts, so that at the end of each year whether you are saving enough money to provide against the inevitable rainy day. Any one can make money; few can save it.

5. Live as though every act of yours was under the scrutiny of your bitterest enemy.—Ex.

Some say the age of chivalry is past. The age of chivalry is never past so long as we have faith enough in God to say, God will help me to redress that wrong; or if not me, He will help those that come after me, for His eternal will is to overcome evil with good.—Kingsley.

The Rev. W. R. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood, that state was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life. It relieved me at once." For sale by druggists.

There are yet living fifteen daughters of Revolutionary soldiers, and they are all on the pension list.

NOTICE.

Sallie McBride vs. Landen Estep. Pursuant to orders and decrees made at spring term, 1899, of the Superior Court of Watauga county in the above entitled action, I will on Monday, the 4th day of Sept., '99, it being Monday of the Superior Court, at the court house door in Boone N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract of land situated in Watauga county, Laurel Creek township, on the waters of Beech creek, containing 100 acres more or less known as the Dead Oak tract and more particularly described in a deed registered in book 'E', page 380, Register's office of Watauga county, beginning on a hickory and runs S. 35° E. 100 poles to a white oak, E. 160 poles N. 35° W. 100 poles to a stake w. 25 poles to a stake in Harman's corner. S. with said line 33 poles to chestnut, Harman's corner. N. 35° W. 30 p. to chestnut, Harman's corner on top of a ridge, same course 13 p. to stake in said line w. to beginning to satisfy a judgment for \$480.92 principal, \$74.95 int., and interest on prin. till paid and for costs of sale and action. This July 31st, 1899.

L. D. LOWE, Commissioner.